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American Embassy
Paris
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Dear Walter:

Mr. Blankenhorn came in yesterday morning struggling under the weight of your magnificent gift of wine and schnapps. Nothing was needed to remind me of my delightful stay at the hunting lodge and of your kind hospitality there, but I am very touched by this thought expressed in such an agreeable form.

I had hoped to see you after the meeting yesterday afternoon but realized, because of the late session, that this was impossible. I have been fully informed about it and at least welcome the fact that a date has been definitely decided upon. Incidentally, in view of my praises of the Black Forest, I am delighted that the site will be at Baden Baden.

I may be going to Belgium again this week. That will depend on the outcome of talks I shall have today and tomorrow with de Staercke and Monnet. I am making tentative plans to leave next Tuesday for Rome and spend most of the rest of that week there.

With warm personal regards and again many thanks, I am

Very sincerely yours,

- David Bruce

His Excellency
Dr. Walter Hallstein,
Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs,
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